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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda, April 2000

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This agenda provides summary descriptions of significant and not significant regulations being developed in agencies of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in conformance with Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review." The agenda also describes regulations affecting small entities as required by section 602 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, Public Law 96-354.

USDA has attempted to list all regulations and regulatory reviews pending at the time of publication except for minor and routine or repetitive actions, but some may have been inadvertently missed. There is no legal significance to the omission of an

item from this listing. Also, the dates shown for the steps of each action are estimated and are not commitments to act on or by the date shown.

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Agricultural Marketing Service—Prerule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
1	Supervisory Follow-Up Inspections for Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Inspection and Certification Services	0581-AB68
2	Amend Regulations for Tobacco Inspection	0581-AB75
3	Meat Grading Regulations for Imported Livestock	0581-AB81
4	Grade Standards and Classification for American Pima Cotton	0581-AB82

Agricultural Marketing Service—Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
5	National Organic Program	0581-AA40
6	National Laboratory Accreditation Program	0581-AB42
7	Processed Fruits and Vegetables: Qualified Through Verification (QTV)	0581-AB58
8	General Specifications for Dairy Plants Approved for USDA Inspection and Grading	0581-AB59
9	Blueberry Research, Promotion, and Information Order	0581-AB61
10	Livestock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999	0581-AB64
11	Cotton Classification Services to Growers, User Fees for 2000 Crop	0581-AB72
12	Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act: Increase in License and Complaint Fees	0581-AB76
13	Federal Seed Testing and Certification Services, Increase in Fees	0581-AB80
14	Honey Research and Promotion Program	0581-AB84
15	Changes in Fee for Voluntary Federal Fruits and Vegetables, Processed	0581-AB85

Agricultural Marketing Service—Final Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identification Number
16	Voluntary Shell Egg Regulations; Repackaging of Shell Eggs Under USDA's Grading Program	0581-AB56
17	Refrigeration Requirements for Shell Eggs	0581-AB60
18	Olive Oil Research, Promotion, and Information Order	0581-AB62
19	Fees for Destination Market Inspection of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables and Other Products: Fee Increase	0581-AB63
20	Program to Assess Organic Cetifying Agencies	0581-AB70
21	Regulations Governing the Inspection of Eggs	0581-AB74
22	Blueberry Research and Promotion Order	0581-AB78
23	Changes in Fees for Voluntary Federal Meat Grading and Certification Services	0581-AB83